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Deinstitutionalization is the process of replacing long-stay psychiatric hospitals with less isolated community mental health services for those diagnosed with a mental disorder or developmental disability [1]. The movement to reduce institutionalization was met with wide acceptance in Western countries, though its effects have been the subject of many debates [1]. The modern deinstitutionalization movement was made possible by the discovery of psychiatric drugs in the mid-20th century, which could manage psychotic episodes and reduced the need for patients to be confined and restrained [1]. Another major impetus was a series of socio-political movements that campaigned for patient freedom [1]. Lastly, there were financial imperatives, with many governments also viewing it as a way to save costs [1].

I hope this helps. Is there anything else I can help you with?

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